

To: **Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy**  
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From: Kramek, Niva  
Sent: Mon 10/17/2016 7:46:05 PM  
Subject: RE: Other

Dear Jeni Reiser:

Thank you for your email, and I am sorry to hear about your father and his partner. I work on risk management of methylene chloride, which is likely the chemical you are referring to. I'd be interested in talking to you more about this; please call at my number below.

Exposure to methylene chloride can lead to significant non-cancer risks (acute and chronic exposure scenarios) and cancer risks. These adverse health effects include central nervous system effects (including headaches, like you mentioned, and also loss of consciousness and death); liver toxicity; and cancer. More information is available in the 2014 Methylene Chloride Risk Assessment published by EPA at <https://www.epa.gov/assessing-and-managing-chemicals-under-tsca/assessments-tsca-work-plan-chemicals#dcm>. The health effects from methylene chloride exposure depend on how much methylene chloride you were exposed to and the length of that exposure. EPA is working on a proposed regulation to address the risks from methylene chloride in paint and coating removal; more information on that proposed rule is at <http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/eAgendaViewRule?publd=201604&RIN=2070-AK07>.

I hope you find this information helpful, and please let me know if you have any other questions. I'd also be happy to call you; please let me know what phone number and time would be best.

Sincerely,

Niva

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-----Original Message-----

From: drupal\_admin@epa.gov [mailto:drupal\_admin@epa.gov]  
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Submitted on 10/07/2016 11:32PM  
Submitted values are:

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Email: **Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy**  
Comments:

my dad Worked at Furniture Medic and died in 2002. His partner died shortly after. They both died from cancer. My dad died from kidney cancer which is an environmental cancer. I'm sure it was the chemicals, especially the strippers they worked with on a daily basis. I worked with them one day only and had the worst headache of my life. I've never known who to contact. I've never known what to do to pursue the issue.

Please let me know if you know who I could talk to.  
Jeni reiser

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